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## RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION DATED OCTOBER 28, 2002

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Final Office Action dated October 28, 2002.

A request for extension of time is included herewith. It is believed that no fees other than those required for the enclosed RCE and request for extension are due. The commissioner is authorized to deduct those fees, along with any additional fees that may be due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21, from Fulbright & Jaworski, L.L.P. Deposit Account No. 50-1212/UTXC:664.